

OPINION 1938

Musca rosae Fabricius, 1794 (currently *Psila* or *Chamaepsila rosae*; Insecta, Diptera): specific name conserved

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Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary powers it is hereby ruled that the specific name *rosae* Fabricius, 1794, as published in the binomen *Musca rosae*, is not invalid by reason of being a junior primary homonym of *Musca rosae* De Geer, 1776.
- (2) The name *Chamaepsila* Hendel, 1917 (gender: feminine), type species by original designation *Musca rosae* Fabricius, 1794, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *rosae* Fabricius, 1794, as published in the binomen *Musca rosae* (specific name of the type species of *Chamaepsila* Hendel, 1917), not invalid by the ruling in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.
- (4) The name *hennigi* Thompson & Pont, 1994, as published in the binomen *Chamaepsila hennigi*, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology (a junior objective synonym of *Musca rosae* Fabricius, 1794).

History of Case 3068

An application for the conservation of the specific name of *Musca rosae* Fabricius, 1794 was received from Mr Peter Chandler (*Slough, Berkshire, U.K.*) on 12 September 1997. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 55: 96–98 (June 1998). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1999 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 55: 97. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1999 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 20: Bock, Bouchet, Brothers, Cocks, Eschmeyer, Heppell, Kabata, Kerzhner, Kraus, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Mawatari, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Papp, Savage, Schuster, Štys

Negative votes — none.

No votes were received from Dupuis, Lehtinen, Patterson and Song.

Cogger and Ride were on leave of absence.

Dupuis declined to vote on the grounds that less than a year had elapsed since publication of the case. [*Editorial note.* An explanation of procedure followed in sending cases for voting was given in BZN 54: 53–54, March 1997].

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Chamaepsila Hendel, 1917, *Deutsche Entomologische Zeitschrift* (Berlin), **1917**: 37.
hennigi, *Chamaepsila*, Thompson & Pont, 1994, *Theses Zoologicae*, **20**: 161.
rosae, *Musca*, Fabricius, 1794, *Entomologia systematica emendata et aucta*, vol. 4, p. 356.

The following is the reference for the designation of *Musca rosae* Fabricius, 1794 as the type species of the nominal genus *Chamaepsila* Hendel, 1917:

Hendel, F. 1917. *Deutsche Entomologische Zeitschrift* (Berlin), **1917**: 37.